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## (54) REGENERATION OF CATION EXCHANGE MEMBRANE

(57) Abstract:

PURPOSE: To lengthen the life of membrane by a simple means in which cation exchange membrane polluted in alkali chloride electrolysis is regenerated by electrifying both cathodic and anodic electrolytes acidified in electrolytic bath.

CONSTITUTION: During electrolysis of alkali chloride aqueous solution with cation exchange membrane, the cation exchange membrane is polluted with impurities present in the alkali chloride aqueous solution. When the polluted cation exchange membrane is fitted in an electrolytic bath with the cathodic and anodic electrolytes both of which are acidified with an acid such as hydrochloric acid, etc., and then electrification is made, the impurities in and on the surface of cation exchange membrane are made soluble and further removed to the outside of the membrane by diffusion. Thus, the regeneration of membrane can be attained by a comparatively simple means and thereby an economical profit due to the lengthening of the membrane life can be obtained.

## REGENERATION OF CATION EXCHANGE MEMBRANE

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     In the electrolsis of an aqueous solution of NaCl in an
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     produce NaOH, followed by regeneration of the used diaphragm, the
     improvement comprises setting the used diaphragm in an
     electrolytic cell filled with an acidic solution, and subjecting
     it to electrolysing treatment to obtain a regenerated cation
     exchanging diaphragm. The acidic solution is hydrochloric,
     sulphuric, acetic or propionic acid.
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     A method for regenerating cation exchange membrane which is used
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     in electrolysis of an alkali chloride solution is described. The
     contaminated cation exchange membrane is disposed in an
     electrolysis tank having its cathode and anode chambers filled
     with acid solution (e.g. HCl solution) and regenerated by
     electrolysis. Thus, Nafion 336 cation exchange membrane was used
     for electrolysis of KCl brine at c.d. 25 A/dm2 to produce 20 KOH.
     The cation exchange membrane was regenerated by electrolysis in a
     regeneration tank, where 3.5 N HCl was fed to its cathode chamber,
     and 250 g/L NaCl was supplied to its anode chamber. The
     regenerated cation exchange membrane was reused for KCl brine
     electrolysis for 5 mo., and the current efficiency before and
     after the regeneration were 90 and 94% resp., and no substantial
     reduction was observed as compared with 97% efficiency at the
     beginning of operation.
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